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Dear Parents/Carers

As I am sure you are aware there has been much debate within the media recently concerning the mental health issues associated with our increased screen time and use of mobile phones. Many schools have chosen to ban mobile phones completely.

At Mark Rutherford School we want to educate our children on the safe and acceptable use of mobile devices. The school policy is very clear to that effect. Mobile phones can be brought into school but **MUST** be switched off and in bags and only brought out if a teacher gives express permission to use them for an educational purpose. We want to encourage students to spend their social time talking to each other and socialising, not on-line.

We have been very clear with students that they are **NOT** allowed to use any electronic devices (phones, ipods, etc.) inside the building or they will be confiscated.

Your support with this policy is much appreciated.

We will continue to review the policy as we move forward.

Yours sincerely

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